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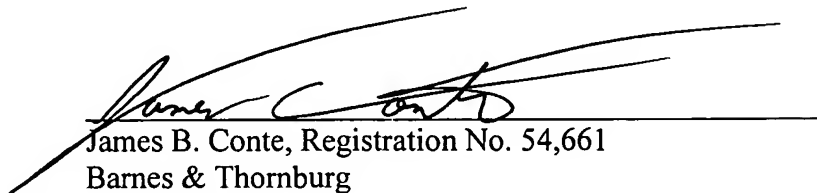
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The patent listed as French 522,661 and disclosed in U.S. 10/115,017 should actually be 522,601 Belgium.

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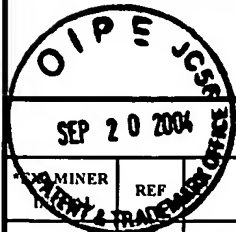
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		1,428,928	09/12/1922	W.B.S. Whaley			
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							YES	NO
		522,661	04/04/1921	France				✓
		557,493	09/16/1972	Switzerland				✓
		58-113672	07/06/1983	Japan				✓
		522,601	1953	Belgium				✓

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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